

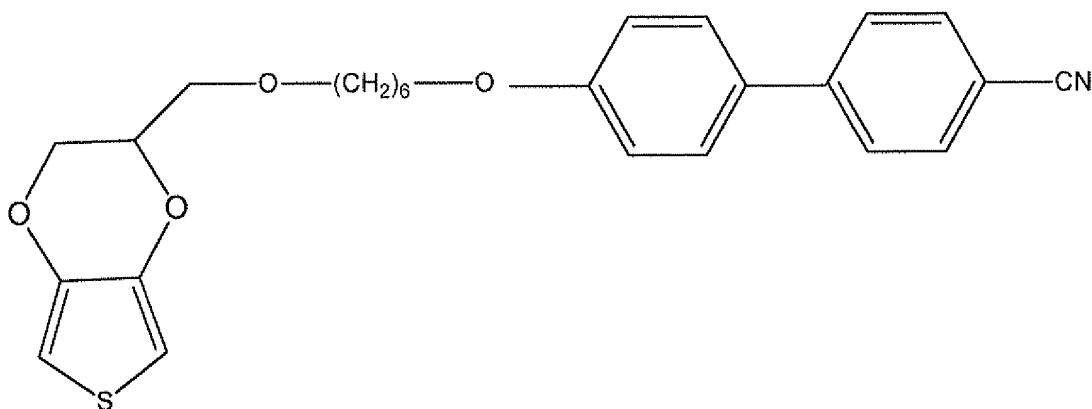
REMARKS

The applicant respectfully requests reconsideration in view of the amendment and the following remarks. The applicant has rewritten the claims as discussed in the interview. The applicant changed the term "B" to "B' " in order to avoid confusion with the element of boron. In addition the applicant changed the term "F" to "F' " in order to avoid confusion with the element of flourine. The application contains six independent claims. The applicant already paid for six independent claims.

Claims 22-24, 28-29 and 39-45 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112 as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention. Claims 22-26, 28, 31 and 34-37 and 39-41 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Krishnamoorthy et al. (Synthetic Metals 124 (2001), pages 471-475). The Examiner has allowed claim 27. Claims 42-45 are not rejected over the prior art.

Comments to the interview

During the interview the applicant discussed amending the claims to specifically exclude the compound of Krishnamoorthy,



The applicant discussed adding claim 46 which requires that A is C₁ and C₃-C₅ alkylene. Support for C₃ alkylene can be found in the examples. Krishnamoorthy requires that A is C₂ alkylene.

Support for claim 49 can be found in claim 26. The definition of M is an n-functional steroid radical or a derivative of a steroid radical. This is not taught by Krishnamoorthy.

Support for claim 50 can be found in the specification at pages 15-18 and in claim 27. The definition of M is a specific steroid radical or a derivative of a steroid radical. This is not taught by Krishnamoorthy.

Support for newly added claim 59 can be found in the previous claim 44.

The applicant discussed adding claim 66 which requires that p is 0. Therefore, the "L" group does not exist. Krishnamoorthy requires that L is present.

The applicant discussed adding claim 67 which requires r is 1 and s is 0. Krishnamoorthy does not disclose the applicant's claimed bridging requiring "r".

The applicant discussed adding claim 68 which requires F' is not longer a psudehalogen changing the definition to the specific psudohalogens disclosed in the specification at page 30, lines 14-16 (thiocyano, isocyano or isothiocyano). Krishnamoorthy does not disclose the applicant's claimed definition of F'. In view of the above amendment, applicant believes the pending application is in condition for allowance.

A one month extension has been paid. Applicant believes no fee is due with this response. However, if a fee is due, please charge our Deposit Account No. 03-2775, under Order No. 13077-00142-US from which the undersigned is authorized to draw.

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